

STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FINANCING AND POLICY

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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada **Executive Board President** Gerald Temoke, Tribal Chairman Elko Band Council 1745 Silver Eagle Drive Elko, Nevada 89801

Dear Tribal Members:

In accordance with established consultation guidelines, the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) is notifying Nevada tribes of the following proposed change in policy:

On June 7, 2014, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) released an information bulletin (CIB 07-07-2014) allowing coverage of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) under State Plan Authority. The DHCFP is proposing to submit a State Plan Amendment (SPA) for the Rate Methodology for coverage of ABA under the coverage authority Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT).

Budgeted Fiscal Impact:

SFY 2016

\$14,206,060

SFY 2017

\$28,412,122

If you would like a consultation regarding this new policy, please contact Tanya Benitez at (775) 684-3722 who will schedule a meeting. We would appreciate a reply within 30 days from the date of this letter. If we do not hear from you within this time, we will consider this an indication that no consultation is requested.

Sincerely,

Laurie Squartsoff Administrator

Cc:

Elizabeth Aiello, Deputy Administrator

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